go to run the Administration of to-day. That is the question. So, on this vital question of all questions is the House going to allow this demand? When I said that 1,000 rupees may be reduced, my Hon'ble friend has taken it to mean literally. That is not it. When I said that the unnessary part of the demand asked for consists in the appointment of the Assistant Manager I mean and it must be taken to mean not Rs. 1,000—even pay will mean something less or more than Rs. 1,000. Therefore don't quibble upon such things. My Hon'ble friend knows it well,I know. My position is only this. I have stated the case before the House and if it is the wish of the House that it should be pressed I have absolutely no objection to press it. If, on the other hand, it is the wish of the House that I should not press it after iinformlng the Government.....

Mr. Puthur Achutha Menon *(Kattur):* How can they say that? We must vote for that.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Minister for Food and Education):* We must first of all put to vote as to what the wish of the House is.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Anyhow, I have stated the case of the tax payer. I leave it at that. If you will allow me to withdraw I will withdraw. If it is your wish that it is to be put to vote I am game for that too.

Mr. President: Do I understand the Hon'ble Member to withdraw his motion?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* It means so, Sir. *(Laughter)*

Motion, by leave, withdrawn

Demand put and carried

The House rose for lunch at 1-30 p.m. and reassembled at 2-30 p.m. with the Hon'ble Diwan President in the Chair

(2) "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Prevention of Epidemics"

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Public Health):* Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 20,650 under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Prevention of Epidemics". There is a provision of 20,000 rupees in the Public Health Budget of 1122 under "Prevention of Epidemics" out of which a sum of about Rs. 13,113 has been spent till now. The major portion of the expenditure was on account of the large amount of contribution of Rs. 5,000 and odd to the Mattancheri Municipality towards expenditure incurred in connection with the small pox epidemic in 1119 and towards the cost of medicines urgently ordered for, on the out break of plague in Mattancheri and Ernakulam. There is only a balance of Rs. 6,887 under this head. To meet the anticipated expenditure for plague preventive measures and other routine activities of the Department during the rest of the year a sum of Rs. 27,535 is necessary. Hence an additional allotment of Rs. 20,650 is absolutely necessary under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Prevention of Epidemics". I request this House to sanction the grant.

Demand put and carried

(3) "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Anti-Malarial Operations"

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Public Health):* I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 6,000 under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Anti-Malarial Operations".

Malaria is reported to be prevalent in Vadakkancheri. On a survey conducted in Vadakkancheri and the neighbouring places it was found that the prevalence of Malaria is mostly due to the existence of a large number of burrow pits on the railway line and on the sides of the State Public Works Department Roads, which afforded good breeding places for mosquito larvae. Arrangements have been made with the South Indian Railway to fill up the burrow pits in the railway lines. Those in the Public Works Department Roads also have to be filled up. The cost of the work is estimated at Rs. 6,000. There is no specific provision in the Public Health Budget for the expenditure. It is also not possible to anticipate savings to the extent of this amount. I request that this amount may be sanctioned.

CUT MOTION

To urge Government to carry on the war against Malaria in a militant way

***Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Vadakkanchri):* I move, Sir, to reduce the allotment of Rs. 6,000 under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Anti-Malarial Operations by Re. 1, to urge on the

*Speech not corrected by the Hon'ble Member.

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